ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A portable hand holdable electric cigarette lighter conveniently locatable on top of furniture or a shelf, plugged into an electrical outlet, stored and/or moved, ready for immediate and routine use. The lighter includes an electrical resistance heating element contactable by a cigarette and connected to an electromechanical circuit supplied electrical power from an externally located alternating current, or from a built-in internally located direct current, power supply, and includes a portable hand holdable housing. The electromechanical circuit is connected to the heating element and connectable to ac power of 110 or 220 volts, and includes a step-down voltage transformer for providing voltage of 0.5 - 25 volts to the heating element, or, the electromechanical circuit is connected to the heating element and to dc power being batteries or an electromagnetic generator. Each electromechanical circuit includes one of two different types of a finger activatable / thermally responsive deactivatable actuating mechanism.